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CONGRATULATING THE VILLAGE
OF BELLWOOD, ILLINOIS 100TH
ANNIVERSARY

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 6, 2000

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I take this opportunity to congratulate the village of Bellwood, Illinois as it winds down the celebration of its centennial existence, from a dream to more than 100 years of community life.

Bellwood was incorporated as a village more than 100 years ago and came up with a unique way of paying special tribute to its people. In addition to fun events, ceremonies and activities, the village decided to bestow medals upon 100 individuals who were nominated for acts of kindness.

I, Mr. Speaker, was nominated and presented with one of these and must confess that I have never felt more honored. But even more than that, it is indeed an honor to represent a community which pays close attention to its schools, parks, playgrounds and other recreational and developmental opportunities for its children.

It is indeed an honor to represent a community which values its senior population, is noted for its city services, has fire and police departments who serve and protect, who prevent fires and keep down crime, and it is an honor to represent a community which is proud of diversity and respects all of its people. It is an honor to represent a community where corporate/business citizenship is encouraged and where people seem to feel good about each other.

Therefore, Mr. Speaker, I take my hat off to the people of Bellwood and commend: President Donald Lemm, Clerk Booker T. Brown, Trustee Jann Beauchamp, Trustee Woodrow Broaders, Trustee Michael Rogers, Trustee Joyce Ann Porter, Trustee Art Grapenthien, Trustee Frank E. Hasman, and Trustee Frank A. Pasquale.

Library Trustee Gail Archibald, Library Trustee Annie F. Bryant, Library Trustee Alice English, Library Trustee Carolyn Griffin, Library Trustee Mary Ann Grunder, Library Trustee Anthony Howard, and Library Trustee John Johnson, Jr.

Memorial Park District: Commissioner Patrick Hurley, Commissioner John Johnson, Commissioner Victor Lezza, Jr., Commissioner Frank A. Pasquale, and Commissioner Ralph Sartore.

School District 88: Ms. Marilyn Thurman, President; Ms. Linda Morgan-Jones, Vice-President; Ms. Roxanne A. Brown, Secretary; Ms. Gloria M. Blackwell, Mr. Willis J. Booker, Jr., Mrs. Barbara J. Griffin, and Mrs. Sandra M. Hixson.

School District 209: Ms. Imoni Baxter, Mrs. Sandra Collins, Secretary, Mr. Patrick "Chico" Hernandez, Mrs. Theresa L. Kelly, Mr. Richard G. Klaczynski, Mr. Michael A. Manzo, President, Mr. Robert J. Smith, and Mr. Gregory T. Jackson, Superintendent.

I also pay tribute to police chief Greg Moore, fire chief Andre Harvey, and all of those who work to make Bellwood the delightful city that it is.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

Congratulations on 100 years of tremendous existence and I trust that Bellwood will be standing for at least 100 more.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE SUB-
COMMITTEE ON BASIC RE-
SEARCH

HON. NICK SMITH

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 6, 2000

Mr. SMITH of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to talk a little bit about our work in the Subcommittee on Basic Research, a subcommittee I am honored to Chair. This Subcommittee has had a busy and productive two years. In the 106th Congress, we have held a total of 25 oversight hearings, field briefings, and mark-ups on a range of important and timely issues. In addition, we have passed through the House two bills authorizing fire and earthquake programs under this Subcommittee's jurisdiction, and these may yet be passed into law in the final days of the session.

I believe the work we do in this Subcommittee truly is unique. In our hearings on information technology, nanotechnology, education research, plant genomics, and biotechnology, for example, we have been able to glimpse the future. And through our oversight and our authorization bills, I hope that we are able to help shape that future, as well. I am proud of our record of collegiality and bipartisanship on the Subcommittee, and I look forward to continuing that tradition in the next Congress.

I would also like to this opportunity to thank the staff of the Subcommittee, who work behind the scenes to get things done. Stephen Eule, Peter Harsha, Mark Harrington, Sharon Hayes, and Steve Howell have made my job easier, and I thank them for all their good ideas and hard work. I congratulate all the members of the Subcommittee especially Ranking Member EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON and her chief of staff Jim Wilsont.

COMMEMORATING THE 89TH ANNI-
VERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE
NATIONAL DAY OF THE REPUB-
LIC OF CHINA

HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 6, 2000

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the National Day of the Republic of China, known as the "Double Tenth" celebration of freedom. This day is being commemorated in San Francisco with a grand celebration befitting the importance of this National Day.

The people of the United States have a strong bond with and commitment to the people of the Republic of China. With the historic election they held this year, the people of Taiwan have demonstrated to the world their dedication to democracy. The Republic of China continues to be a prosperous nation

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characterized by strong economic growth and respect for basic human rights and democratic freedoms. The Republic of China is an important economic, cultural and strategic partner of the United States, and their celebration is our celebration.

I am blessed in my district with so many Asian-Americans, including many from Taiwan, who make wonderful contributions to our City and its civic life. It is my privilege to congratulate the people of Taiwan as they commemorate the "Double Tenth" festival of freedom. I am proud to voice the support and best wishes of the Republic of China's many friends in Congress.

RECOGNIZING EAGLE SCOUT
EDGAR JAMES III

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 6, 2000

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Eagle Scout Edgar James III.

Edgar James, III began scouting at the age of seven in 1992 as a Cub Scout with Pack 263, Stuyford District, Brooklyn, New York. As a Cub Scout, he learned the basics of Scouting, and as a Webelos, he prepared himself to become a Boy Scout. In May 1995, Edgar earned Cub Scout's highest award, the Arrow of Light.

Edgar was selected by his peers as a candidate for the Order of the Arrow, Honor Campers. He successfully completed the Ordeal and was inducted into the Order of the Arrow, Shu-Shu-Gah Lodge #24, in 1997.

Through tenacity, determination and hard work, Edgar progressed consistently through the ranks from tenderfoot in 1995 to his Eagle Award on July 27, 1999. Along the trail to Eagle, Edgar has served in several leadership positions including Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader and, currently, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader.

Edgar completed his Eagle service project with Outstanding Renewal Enterprises, Inc., in Manhattan. His goal was to encourage others while learning about environmentally sound management of New York City's Solid waste. Recycling and composting methods were used to inspire New York City residents to take responsibility for their environment in order to make the city a cleaner and greener place in which to live.

Edgar is a junior attending Midwood High School at Brooklyn College where he is in the Medical Science program and played the trumpet in the Marching Band. He was selected to participate in the Intel Corporation Social Science Research Program, representing Midwood High School. Edgar is a member of St. Paul Community Baptist Church in Brooklyn, New York. His future plans include a career in either medicine or law or, hopefully, to combine both and become a sports agent.

Mr. Speaker, Edgar is one of tomorrow's leaders, and I encourage my colleague to join me in honoring him today.